

is authorised, in case these views of the state of Delaware should meet the approbation of the Legislature of the state of Maryland, to appoint three commissioners on the part of the state of Delaware, to meet such as may be appointed on the part of the state of Maryland, to carry the measures into execution, and settle the preliminaries and details thereof, subject to the final ratification of the Legislatures of the two States, and that of the Congress of the United States;—therefore,

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That, holding the pursuit of happiness as the unalienable right of all men, and that political associations and governments are but means to gain that desirable end, we refer the overture made to this General Assembly, by the Legislature of the state of Delaware to the candid and serious consideration of our fellow citizens, in the respective counties on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, who are immediately and most particularly interested in the proposition. And we leave the subject to be first entertained by our fellow-citizens on the Eastern Shore, in a General Convention, to be held among themselves, or in such other way as to them may seem most fit.

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in case it should be authentically notified to the Governor of Maryland by any proper authority from the counties on the Eastern Shore of this State, that it is the wish and pleasure of the people in those several counties, that commissioners should be appointed on the part of the state of Maryland, to meet those to be appointed by the state of Delaware, in order to adjust preliminaries and details, that all may the better understand the precise terms of the proposed change, before any final decision is made. That the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Council, is hereby authorised and empowered to appoint three commissioners from the Eastern Shore of Maryland, for that purpose, as soon after the notification as may be—and the said commissioners are directed to make full report to the Governor, to be by him laid before the General Assembly of Maryland, at the earliest period after its reception.

*Resolved,* That the Governor of this State be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to the Governor of the state of Delaware, with a solicitation to present them to the Legislature of that State.

Which were read.